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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 84-10-C - ORDER NO. 84-498
June 8, 1984

IN RE: Application of GTE Sprint Communications) ORDER
Corporation for a Certificate of Public) ALLOWING
Convenience and Necessity.) INTERVENTION
AND REQUIRING
) PREFILING OF
) TESTIMONY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of a Petition to Intervene filed on June 1, 1984 on behalf of United Telephone Company of the Carolinas (the Petitioner), whereby the Petitioner sought certain relief in the nature of leave of the Commission to intervene out-of-time in the instant proceeding.

In support of the relief requested in the pleadings at issue, the Petition asserts that it has a significant interest in this proceeding and that it will be substantially affected by the ultimate decision in this proceeding. The Petitioner further alleges that the Commission's granting the relief prayed for in the Petition will not prejudice the Applicant's position before the Commission, but will serve to ensure that the views, concerns, and objections of an affected party will be presented to the Commission for its consideration of the merits of the instant

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Application. The Petitioner attributes the untimeliness of its Petition to the fact that it belatedly learned of the Application and the hearing date of June 13, 1984.

Based upon a review of the matters asserted in the Petitioner's pleadings, the Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that the Petitioner acted expeditiously upon learning of the Application and was reasonably diligent under the circumstances in filing the Petition. The Commission further finds that the Petitioner's intervention out-of-time will not prejudice the rights of any party herein. The Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that it is in the public interest to grant the relief requested in the Petition so that the Commission may consider all of the relevant information in the instant proceeding. The Commission also finds that the Petitioner should prefile any testimony and exhibits it wishes to present at the hearing and serve on all parties of record such testimony and exhibits on or before June 11, 1984.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That United Telephone Company of the Carolinas be, and hereby is, granted leave to intervene in the instant proceeding with the full rights and obligations of a party of record.

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2. That United prefile any testimony and exhibits and serve on all parties of record such testimony and exhibits on or before June 11, 1984.

3. That this Order remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Acting Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)